## The Explorers Club Northern California Chapter

is pleased to invite you to the

1997 Planetary GetAway "Exploring the Final Frontier"

A Memorial Tribute to Eugene Shoemaker and Carl Sagan

17-18 October 1997 in San Francisco

Distinguished Speakers:

Carol Stoker, Geoff Marcy, Frank Drake, and surprise guests Live space aliens (we think) ...

Plus, a real-time attempt to contact Vega by radio.



### Exotics Encounter (Champagne Reception)

Friday, 17 October 1997

Sheraton Palace Hotel, San Francisco

## GetAway Forays (Field Trips)

Saturday, 18 October 1997

10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m

San Francisco Bay Area

## Confocal Cusp of Explorers (Formal Dinner)

Saturday, 18 October 1997

6:00-11:00 p.m.

Officers Club, Ft. Mason, San Francisco

The 1997 Planetary GetAway will be a great opportunity to bring together distinguished explorers and their guests to share the thrill of exploring space, the final frontier. It highlights and honors scientists and explorers searching for planets and extraterrestrial life. The event is a memorial to the great astrogeologist Eugene Shoemaker, who died tragically in an accident in July, and to Carl Sagan, pre-eminent astronomer and educator, who recently succumbed to cancer. This event is patterned after the 1996 Golden GateAway, and while not as sumptous, it will certainly be as interesting and fun. Maybe the best part is free level parking!

#### Friday, 17 October 1997 6:00-10:00 p.m.

**Exotics Encounter** 

#### Garden Court, Sheraton Palace Hotel, San Francisco

An evening of exceedingly good champagne, exotic hors d'oeuvres, and a chance to meet your fellow explorers. This will be held in the spectacular Garden Court of the Sheraton Palace Hotel at Market and Montgomery Streets.

Saturday, 18 October 1996 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

**GetAway Forays** San Francisco Bay Area

Choose from the foillowing local expeditions:

· Lick Observatory 2:00 p.m. 1 hr from San Jose 10:00 a.m. San Jose • San Jose Museum of Technology

• Berkeley Heavy Ion Accelerators 3:00 p.m. Berkeley • San Francisco Bay Model and Wapama (Ship) 10:30 a.m. Sausalito

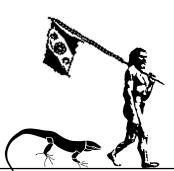
• Chiron: A Biotechnology Giant 10:00 a.m. Emeryville (near Berkeley)

Families and friends are welcome on these free forays (yes, free!), but you must register in advance since space on all events is limited. You register for the forays by simply indicating your preference with your reservation. You are welcome to go on a foray whether or not you attend the other GetAway events, but you must register for the Forays in order to participate.

#### Saturday, 18 October 1996 6:00-11:00 p.m.

Confocal Cusp of Explorers Officers Club, Ft. Mason, San Francisco

 $A semi-formal \ banquet. \ This \ will \ be \ our \ biggest \ event \ of \ the \ year. \ We'll \ be \ hearing \ about \ the \ successful \ exploration \ of \ Mars$ by the Pathfinder spacecraft, the discovery of planets on other stars, and the continuing search for intelligent life in the Universe. There will be a memorial presentation on the life and work of Eugene Shoemaker, the co-discoverer of the Shoemaker-Levy comet (and 36 other comets!), and a presentation on the life and work of Carl Sagan, whose greatest contribution to mankind arguably was the understanding of the global consequences of nuclear war. In addition, we'll have a surprise guest, and some very bizarre live creatures that could be extra-terrestrials. We'll even have an operational shortwave radio station to attempt a contact with Vega! You'll be treated to a superb dinner of filet mignon or salmon, and excellent California wine. The Officer's Club at Ft. Mason has free, flat parking, and a magnificent view of San Francisco Bay. This would be a very good event to invite your friends to see what the Explorers Club is about.



# **Exploring the Final Frontier**

...Carol Stoker...Geoff Marcy...Frank Drake...Surprise Guests...Live Space Aliens...

#### <u>Tickets</u>

**Exotics Encounter** (Friday, Oct. 17, evening) \$ 25 **GetAway Forays** (Saturday, Oct. 18, day) Free, Free, Free

Confocal Cusp of Explorers (Saturday, Oct. 18, evening)

Explorers Club Member and any guests (each) \$ 60 Benefactor of Exploration \$ 80

- Preferentaial seating
- Listing in the dinner program
- Special favors on the table

Seating is limited, and we expect this event to sell out, so we urge you to get your reservation in early. If you are coming from outside the San Francisco Bay Area, we urge you to make hotel reservations early.

*Tickets will be mailed to you.* Absolute deadline for reservations Oct. 13.

#### = Policies and Information =

Ticket prices are per person. Your ticket is your receipt. Preferential seating will be given to Benefactors, and those persons making early reservations, in that order of priority. Please indicate on the reservation form if you have any preference for seating, especially if you want to be together with any other person(s). All seating requests will be honored to the best of our ability. Tickets are not refundable, but if you find you cannot attend, please pass your ticket to a friend so it can be used. We reserve the right to alter the arrangements, including the program, and to limit the number of attendees.

#### How to contact the GetAway

Message phone fax e-mail www (510) 433-7951 (510) 934-3735 getaway@cordell.org http://www.cordell.org/getaway Tickets and Reservations: Explorers Club Planetary GetAway % Bill Isherwood 37 La Encinal Orinda, CA 94563 Administration: Explorers Club N. Calif. Chapter 4295 Walnut Blvd. Walnut Creek, CA 94596 getaway@cordell.org

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Phone	Fax		Your tickets and detailed information (including	
Guests:			maps) about the Forays will be mailed to you.	
<ul> <li>Lick Observatory</li> </ul>		# persons	# Exotics (Friday)	<u> </u>
• San Jose Museum of Technology		# persons	# Dinner (Saturday)	@ \$60 or \$80
Berkeley Heavy Ion Accelerators		# persons	# filet mignon	
• San Francisco Bay Model and Wapama (Ship) # persons			# salmon	
Chiron: A Biotechnology Giant		# persons	# vegetarian	